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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

MERLINDA PEREA, and FRANCINE PUENTES, Co-Personal Representatives of the Wrongful Death Estate of JERRY PEREA and ON BEHALF OF THE MINOR, BP

Plaintiffs,

-vs-

NO: CIV 13-263 RB-RHS

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE, ALBUQUERQUE CITY POLICE, APD OFFICER DAVID BACA and APD OFFICER ANDREW JARAMILLO,

Defendants.

## DEPOSITION OF DAVID BRADFORD

March 10, 2014 9:23 a.m. Fourth Floor One Civic Plaza, Northwest Albuquerque, New Mexico

PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, this deposition was:

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A. The date that it happened, I was sort of 1 2 upset because they kept me for so long. I wasted a

whole day just sitting in the cop car just waiting

- on them to make these -- for me to make this statement.
- Q. Okay.
- A. And so -- which I think was ridiculous to
- 8 keep me from there 9:00 until -- I didn't make it
- 9 back to my job till maybe 3:00 or something like 10 that there.
- Q. Okay. 11
- A. I was more upset than -- I wanted to just 12
- get it over with. I just wanted to tell what I seen and let me go back to my job. 14
- 15 Q. I get it.

But do you think that your memory was 16 17 fresher on that day?

- A. Yes, it was. It was fresher on that day 18
- 19 than now.
- Q. Okay. So when you saw the police with 20
- 21 this male, could you -- using either Exhibits 12,
- 22 13, or 14, and can you circle the area with the
- green marker of where you first saw them. Whatever
- 24 exhibit would help you the best.
- A. Do you want me to initial it? 25

- 1 then there he was.
  - Q. Okay. And you mentioned earlier that you believe that this male was resisting. Can you
  - describe what he was doing?
- 5 A. He was resisting by -- how should I put
- it? You know how they handcuff you and all that, and he wouldn't let them grab his arms or -- and
- eventually they -- he winded up on his back -- you
- know, winded up on his back on the pavement there
- and they was still trying to handcuff him. And it
- took a while for them to obtain him. One while he's
- okay, they still didn't handcuff him, and the other
- while he's just -- he turns over on his stomach and
- he's -- you know, he wouldn't let them just
- apprehend him. 15
- Q. Okay. And what were the officers doing to 16 17 try to handcuff him, from your perspective?
- A. They tried putting him in maybe a headlock
- and one tried to pull his arm behind his back and vice versa. And I heard one officer was telling
- him, "Please don't resist." Please don't resist,"
- and he was just -- you know, he was just -- he was
- 23 not being very cooperative about it.
- Q. Did you hear the male who was -- the 24 25 officers were trying to handcuff, did you hear him
- Q. You can just circle the general area of 2 where you first saw them.
- A. Okay.
- And for the record, you just marked a
- circle using the green marker on Exhibit Number 13?
- A. Um-hmm.
- 7 Is that a yes? Q.
- Yes.
- Q. Okay. And the reason why I'm kind of
- correcting you to say yes or no is because we have a court reporter here. We need to make sure that it's
- 12 clear as to what you're saying.
- And in this area that you marked with the 13
- green marker on Exhibit 13, what did you first
- notice when you saw this interaction between police and this male?
- A. That they was trying to -- that they was 17 18 trying to handcuff him.
- 19 Q. Did you see where the male had come from?
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- 21 Q. Did you even notice where the police had 22 come from?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 You just --
- A. I just happened to look over there and 25

- say anything?
- 2 A. The officer?
- Q. No, the male whom the officers were trying 3 to handcuff?
- A. Mostly groaning and -- mostly groaning
- that he didn't want to be -- you know, like "uh-uh,"
- and, you know, just -- he really wasn't saying too
- much that you could understand.
- Q. All right. Did you see any of the
- officers use any weapons against him? A. No. I want to think during that 11
- altercation that one of the two -- one of the
- officers Tased him, but now which one Tased him or 13
- was he Tased, I really, really don't know. 14
- Did you see the male getting Tased? 15 16
  - Α. No, I didn't.
- What makes you think that a Taser may have 17 18 been used during this event?
- 19 A. Because after that, the ambulance came
- 20 and - yeah, the rescue came and they was taking 21
- some wires out of his side, or whatever, so I
- 22 figured that. I don't know which one Tased him
- or -- I figured it was a Taser that they -- now, 23 what officer did it, I don't know. 24
- 25 Q. Do you have any sense of how long it took